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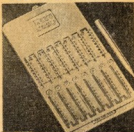
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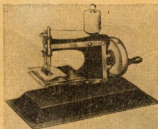


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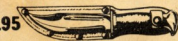
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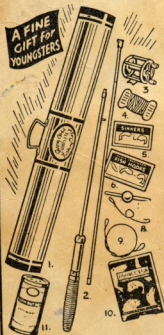
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**A Thrilling Episode
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Lives of
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UP IN THE AIR, "X-28!"
YOUR NUMBER'S UP!**

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SECONDS LEFT TO TELL US WHERE
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WHAT'S
THIS?

**OKAY KID. ONLY BE
CAREFUL WITH THAT
THING, IT MIGHT GO OFF!**



**HURRY, OPERATOR. SEND
THE POLICE OVER TO SECRET
AGENT "X-28'S" APARTMENT
RIGHT AWAY!**



**I HAVE TO HAND
IT TO YOU,
JUNIOR, THAT
WAS CERTAINLY
FAST THINKING!**

**IT'S LUCKY I
HAD THIS DICK
TRACY TOMMY
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IT LOOKS SO
MUCH LIKE THE
REAL THING, IT
FOOLS MOST
PEOPLE!**



**YOU MEAN
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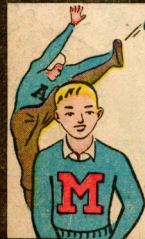
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THAT'S THE STUFF, CARLO, INTO THE DRINK WITH THE COPPER—SERVES THE BOOB RIGHT FOR DISTURBING YOUR STICK-UP!

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IN CONSIDERATION OF INNOCENT PEOPLE INVOLVED AND RELATIVES OF OTHERS, THE NAMES OF SOME CHARACTERS DEPICTED IN THIS TRUE MAGAZINE ARE FICTITIOUS.
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HOW FAR SHALL I GO BACK TO SHOW THE SEEDS OF HIS CRIMINAL CHARACTER?— TO THE ROCK HE PACKED AND THREW AS A SNOWBALL, WHICH BLINDED A SMALL GIRL, OR THE BOY HE THREW DOWN A CELLAR AND MAIMED FOR LIFE!



NO, ANY EVIL FOOL COULD DO THOSE THINGS—WHAT ESPECIALLY ENDEARED CARLO TO ME WAS THE NATURAL WAY HE APPLIED HIMSELF TO CRIME!

SEVEN! I WIN!

THERE'S GOES THE DOUGH I GYPPED FROM OLD MAN MURPHY'S NEWS-STAND—UNLESS I PULL A FAST ONE!

AW...



ALL RIGHT, SUCKERS—REACH! NOBODY'S PLAYIN' LIL' CARLO FOR A SAP! THEM DICE IS CROOKED!

JEEPS! A GUN!

GOLLY, FELLER, YA JUST HAD BAD LUCK!



WRONG, FLAP MOUTH, YOU'VE GOT THE BAD LUCK—SAME GOES FOR ANY SAP WHO TALKS BACK TO ME!



IF YOU DIDN'T HAVE THAT GUN—

OWWW..

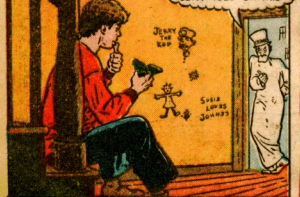


BUT I HAVE, SO STAY PUT, YOU BUMS!

THE DIRTY BULLY...

ONE THING BETTER THAN LOADED DICE IS A LOADED GUN! YESSIR, 25...26...27...

SEE WHAT I MEAN? WHAT A PROSPECT CARLO WAS! THE EARTH DIDN'T REVOLVE AROUND THE SUN! IT REVOLVED AROUND CARLO BARRONE AND IF SOME PEOPLE WEREN'T CONVINCED OF THIS—

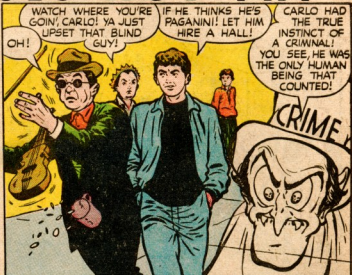


"CARLO WOULD SOON CONVINCE THEM!" EVERY TIME HE SEES HIS MUG IN THE MIRROR, HE'LL REMEMBER TO STAY OUTTA MY WAY— IF HE REMEMBERS ANYTHING!

DON'T HIT HIM ANY MORE, CARLO! I'LL BE YOUR GIRL, I PROMISE! JUST DON'T HIT HIM!

OH... OH...

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NATURALLY THE RACKET THAT SUITED CARLO BEST WAS ER...PROTECTION!

YOU LIKE YOUR DINNER, MR. BARRONE?

IT STINKS!

SPECIAL SPRAGERS MEAT BALLS



AND I'LL TELL YOU WHY, FATSO—SIT DOWN WHEN I TALK TO YOU!



THIS DIVE NEEDS PROTECTION, FUSSELL! SOMEBODY MIGHT TOSS A BOMB INTO THIS JOINT OR BEAT UP YOUR WIFE OR YOUR DAUGHTER! YOU DON'T WANT THAT TO HAPPEN, DO YOU, FATSO?

MY WIFE, MY DAUGHTER, BUT I'VE DONE NOTHING TO ANYBODY—WHY?



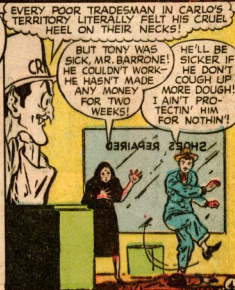
WHY? BECAUSE SOME MUGS MIGHT COME IN HERE AN' START TO WORK YOU OVER LIKE THIS SO NEED YOU ASK, YOU DUMB LARD BARREL! GET UP THE MONEY OR I'LL SLICE THE FAT OFF YOUR BELLY!



THIS IS JUST A DOWN PAYMENT, FATSO! I'LL BE BACK TOMORROW FOR THE BALANCE OF THIS MONTH'S DUES!



AN' DON'T CALL THE POLICE, FUSSELL! YOUR WIFE MIGHT HAVE TO CALL THE UNDERTAKER! THE ONLY GUY YOU GOT NO PROTECTION AGAINST, IS ME!



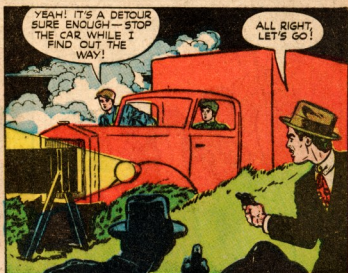
EVERY POOR TRADESMAN IN CARLO'S TERRITORY LITERALLY FELT HIS CRUEL HEEL ON THEIR NECKS!

BUT TONY WAS SICK, MR. BARRONE! HE COULDN'T WORK—HE HASN'T MADE ANY MONEY FOR TWO WEEKS!

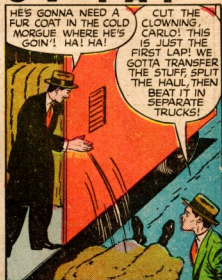
HE'LL BE SICKER IF HE DON'T COUGH UP! MORE DOUGH! I AIN'T PROTECTIN' HIM FOR NOTHIN'!

SHOES REPAIRED

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"A HALF YEAR LATER, CARLO LOOKED UP A FORMER BOOTLEGGER, MASELLINO, WHO HAD A CRIMINAL RECORD FROM WAY BACK, WHEN HE WAS STILL IN ITALY!"

MASELLINO: I'M CARLO BARRONE! I SENT YOU A LETTER—DID YOU GET IT?

I HAVE IT HERE! COME RIGHT IN, CARLO! YOUR PROPOSITION IS VERY INTERESTING!

MASELLINO LOANS AT LOW INTEREST



DON'T MIND ME BEING HERE! I'M HIS BROTHER!

SO WHAT? I DIDN'T COME TO MEET YOUR FAMILY! I'M HERE TO TALK BUSINESS! DO I MAKE YOUR LOAN COLLECTIONS OR DON'T I?

BUT OF COURSE YOU DO! YOU'RE JUST THE MAN TO COLLECT THE BACK PAYMENTS!



IT'S A DEAL! I KEEP HALF OF WHAT I COLLECT BUT REMEMBER THIS, MASELLINO, DOUBLE CROSS ME AND YOU'LL WIND UP AS FISH-BAIT!

WHO TALKS OF DOUBLE CROSSES AT THE BEGINNING OF A NEW FRIENDSHIP? WE'LL WORK FINE TOGETHER, CARLO!



AND THEY DID FOR A WHILE! CARLO USUALLY DOUBLED THE AMOUNT THAT WAS OWED AND WENT ABOUT FROM CLIENT TO CLIENT WITH A HIGHLY PERSUASIVE TECHNIQUE!



DIRTY LOAN SHARKS!

WATCH THEM WORDS, BLABBER-MOUTH! SOME GUYS HAVE DISAPPEARED FOR LESS...



HOW MANY PEOPLE IN YOUR FAMILY DO I HAVE TO BEAT UP BEFORE I GET PAID? MAYBE YOU WANT ME TO START ON THE KID NOW?

N..NO! TAKE EVERYTHING! JUST GO AND LET US ALONE!



THERE'S YOUR CUT FOR THE WEEK, MASELLINO! I BET THAT'S MORE PROSPERITY THAN YOU'D SEEN IN A YEAR BEFORE I CAME!

FINE, FINE! YOU SURE HAVE A WAY WITH MY CLIENTS, CARLO!

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"MEANWHILE, TROUBLE WAS BREWING FOR CARLO! AT THE HOSPITAL, ONE OF THE CLIENTS REBELLED!"

HE COLLECTS FOR PETER MASELLINO! HIS NAME IS BARRONE!

WE'LL GET HIM, POP! IT'S ABOUT TIME SOME ONE HAD THE COURAGE TO PUT THE FINGER ON HIM! HE'S PUT A DOZEN PEOPLE IN THE HOSPITAL ALREADY!

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"IT LOOKED LIKE CARLO'S GOOSE WAS COOKED AND ALSO MASELLINO'S!"

DON'T PUT BOTH OF US IN JAIL, CARLO! KEEP ME OUT AND I WON'T FORGET IT WHEN THEY SPRING YOU! TRUST ME!



OKAY, MASELLINO, BUT REMEMBER, NO TRICKS!



SIX MONTHS IN PRISON FOR ASSAULT AND BATTERY!



OKAY, APE FACE, YOU BETTER DO RIGHT BY ME WHEN I COME OUT! I KNOW HOW TO COLLECT FROM YOUR PARTNERS, TOO!



MY STRETCH IS UP TOMORROW! HAVE THAT GREEN STUFF READY, MASELLINO! MY PALM'S BEEN ITCHING FOR SIX MONTHS!



"BUT WHEN CARLO GOT OUT, MASELLINO WAS GONE!"

WHERE'D THAT @.XXY!! MASELLINO GO? TELL ME, YOU LOUSY @.XXY!! BEFORE...

MR. MASELLINO MOVE TWO MONTH AGO—HE QUIT BUSINESS! HE START DRESS BUSINESS IN GREENPOINT!



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YOU'RE NOT GOING TO LET THAT FAT SLOB GET AWAY WITH IT, AFTER THE RAP YOU TOOK FOR HIM?

SO HE'S A DRESS MANUFACTURER, EH? BETTER ADD A SHROUD TO YOUR LINE, MASELLINO!



I'LL TAKE \$1,000 FOR A START, FATSO! ANY OBJECTIONS?

N..NO.. 'COURSE NOT! JUST GIVE ME TIME TO RAISE IT! COME BACK IN A WEEK, CARLO!



C...CARLO!

SURPRISED, AIN'T YOU, FATSO? GET RID OF THE JANE! YOU AN' ME ARE GETTIN' DOWN TO CASES!



THE HEAT WAS ON ME, CARLO! THE LOAN BUSINESS WENT BANKRUPT! I HAD TO GO LEGIT! HONEST, CARLO...@WWW...



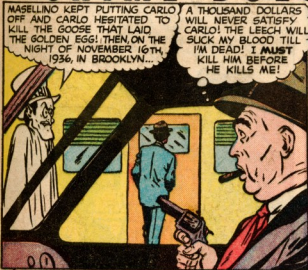
DOUBLE-CROSSER! WHERE'S THAT CUT FOR TAKIN' THE RAP!



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MASELLINO KEPT PUTTING CARLO OFF AND CARLO HESITATED TO KILL THE GOOSE THAT LAID THE GOLDEN EGG! THEN, ON THE NIGHT OF NOVEMBER 16TH, 1936, IN BROOKLYN...

A THOUSAND DOLLARS WILL NEVER SATISFY CARLO! THE LEECH WILL SUCK MY BLOOD TILL I'M DEAD! I MUST KILL HIM BEFORE HE KILLS ME!



OH HH..

HOLY...

BANG



IT WAS FAR FROM A KILLING! AT THE POLICE STATION WHERE HIS WOUNDS WERE DRESSED, CARLO REFUSED TO TALK, FOR AN EXCELLENT REASON!

I'LL GET THAT COXXIX FAT SLOB, AND WHEN I DO, I DON'T WANT THEM LINKING CARLO BARRONE WITH A SWISS-CHEESE CORPSE!



FAT STUFF KNOWS WHAT'S COMIN' TO HIM! LOOK AT HIM SWEAT—HA, HA, NO, YELLOW GUT, I AIN'T BLASTIN' YOU YET! A LITTLE TORTURE FIRST, WONDERIN' WHEN YOU'LL GET IT!



IN THE MEANTIME MASELLINO DIED A THOUSAND DEATHS! HE WAS AFRAID OF HIS OWN SHADOW!

WHAT WAS THAT?

GLAD YER IN WITH US, CARLO!

CARLO JOINED THE GANG OF THE MAD DOG ESPOSITO BROTHERS!



CARLO WENT AROUND WITH THEM ON JOBS WHICH TOTALLED EIGHTEEN KILLINGS IN THREE YEARS, OF WHICH CARLO PERSONALLY ACCOUNTED FOR SIX!

I'LL GIVE THE PLINKS SOME-THING TO HOWL ABOUT!



THERE'S THE CASE OF CARMELO TORRE, CHAUFFEUR FOR THE MOB—ON THE NIGHT OF MARCH 18, 1939...

REMEMBER, RAT FACE, STAY PUT TILL WE GET BACK!

MAYBE HE'S LOOKIN' FOR A WREATH, WILLIE! MAYBE HE DON'T LIKE OUR COMPANY NO MORE, EH, CARMELO!

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IT AIN'T THAT AT ALL, BOYS! IT'S JUST I GO NUTS WAITIN'! I'M THINKIN' MAYBE SOMETHING GOES WRONG INSIDE...MAYBE THE COPS SHOW UP...SEE WHAT I MEAN?

CLUB CASINO

YEAH! WE SEE!

YOU JUST ASKED FOR LILLIES CRUMB!

CARMELO'S GETTING COLD FEET, WILLIE! I THINK I BETTER PUT A PINK SLIP IN HIS PAY ENVELOPE!

WAIT A COUPLE OF DAYS, CARLO! DON'T GET HIM NERVOUS! HE MIGHT SING!

THAT CAN WAIT, SO CAN IT! WE GOT WORK TO DO!



REACH! THIS IS A STICK UP!

NO! COME BACK!

THE HECK IT IS! I'LL SHOW YOU MUGS! ONE SOCK—
HIC!

LET HIM COME, LADY!



BUT HE DOESN'T KNOW WHAT HE'S DOING—HE'S DRUNK!

THAT'S TOO BAD, LADY!



DON'T ANY OF THE REST OF YOU MOVE OUT OF HERE OR YOU'LL GET THE SAME! O.K., LET'S SCRAM!

H...HE'S DEAD!



I HEARD SHOOTIN'! ANY TROUBLE?

NAW, JUST BUSTED SOME ELECTRIC LIGHT BULBS, EH, WILLIE?



"TEN DAYS LATER, WHEN CARMELO LEAST EXPECTED IT!"

NOW, THERE, CARMELO! YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE NERVOUS NO MORE!

YEEE!



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IT WAS TRAGIC FOR SERGEANT PAT WALSH, WHO WAS ON HIS WAY TO THE CATSKILLS TO JOIN HIS WIFE. HE STOPPED AT THE CANDY STORE FOR A COKE!

THAT TIPSTER STEERED ME RIGHT! JUST SOME DUMB PUNKS AROUND!



GET IN THE BACK, AND THERE'LL BE NO SHOOTIN'! MOVE!

A...A HOLD-UP!

PUT DOWN THAT GUN, BUD! YOU'RE MAKING A MISTAKE!



'AS QUICKLY AS WALSH WENT FOR HIS GUN, 'TRIGGER-HAPPY' CARLO WAS QUICKER!

COPPER, EH?

YAAGH!!



IT WAS A TRAP! WHAT ARE YOU WAITIN' FOR? OPEN THE DOOR! THIS AIN'T NO SACK OF POTATOES I'M CARRYING!

G...GOSH, WHAT HAPPENED, CARLO? WHAT ARE YOU DOING WITH THAT STIFF?



DRIVE INTO THE COUNTRY TILL IT'S DARK—THEN WE'LL DROP HIM OFF WHERE NOBODY'LL FIND HIM! WITHOUT A CORPUS DELICTI, NOBODY'S GOT NOTHIN' ON ME!



WHERE TO NOW, CARLO? I'VE BEEN DRIVING FOR HOURS! I'M TIRED!

SO AM I, OF YOUR YAPPIN'! MAKE FOR THAT EAST RIVER DRIVE THEY'RE CONSTRUCTIN'!



I'LL BE RIGHT BACK, SISTER! DON'T TRY ANYTHING FUNNY OR YOU'LL GO BATHING WITH HIM!

A...ALL RIGHT, CARLO! ONLY, HURRY...I'M FRIGHTENED!



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I'LL BET THAT FAT MASSELLINO SPRUNG THIS TRAP! IT WAS A PHONY TIP! WHERE EVER YOU ARE, FATSO, START PRAYIN'! YOUR TIMES UP!



NICE WORK, CARLO! YOU HAVE A RARE TALENT FOR THESE THINGS! THEY'LL NEVER FIND THE COPPER NOW!

NOW TO START WORKIN' ON MASSELLINO! AFTER I KNOCK OFF THAT SKIRT IN MY CAR, OF COURSE!



THE GIRL WAS BURIED IN A MOUNTAIN GRAVE, BUT NOT MASSELLINO—NOT YET! THE HEAT WAS ON CARLO FOR PAST PERFORMANCES AND HE WAS FORCED TO HIDE OUT FOR OVER A YEAR!

FOR TWELVE MONTHS I'VE SPENT FIGURIN' HOW TO GET YOU, FATSO! THIS IS GOIN' THROUGH WITH NO SLIP-UPS AN' NO WITNESSES!



"AS A COVER, CARLO GOT A JOB DELIVERING FLOWERS!"

THEY'LL NEVER RECOGNIZE CARLO BARRONE IN THIS CAP AND RED SWEATER! NOW TO PICK UP THAT FLOWER TRUCK!

MAKE YOUR DELIVERIES AND GET BACK FAST!

YES, SIR, I GET THINGS DONE VERY FAST!



"AT 5:45 P.M. ON FEBRUARY 10, 1941, CARLO WAITED FOR MASSELLINO TO APPEAR IN FRONT OF HIS FACTORY IN GREENPOINT!"

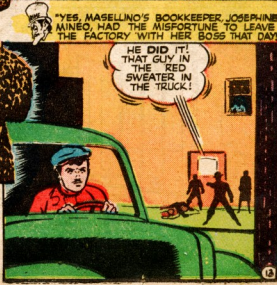
I GUESS THE RAT THOUGHT HE WAS SAFE WHEN HE DIDN'T HEAR FROM ME FOR A YEAR!



YOU, TOO, SISTER, I'M NOT TAKIN' ANY CHANCES ON YOU IDENTIFYING ME!

EEEE...

BANG!
BANG!



"YES, MASSELLINO'S BOOKKEEPER, JOSEPHINE MINEO, HAD THE MISFORTUNE TO LEAVE THE FACTORY WITH HER BOSS THAT DAY!"

HE DID IT! THAT GUY IN THE RED SWEATER IN THE TRUCK!

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CARLO ABANDONED THE TRUCK QUICKLY! WHEN THE FLORIST SAW THE MURDER CAR IN THE NEWSPAPERS HE SOUGHT POLICE PROTECTION AND CARLO HAD NO CHANCE TO RUB HIM OUT! CARLO HIED OUT FOR OVER TWO WEEKS! THEN, ON MARCH FIRST...

CRIME: A WOMAN WHO LISTENED TO POLICE CALLS NOTICED A STOLEN CAR BELONGING TO HER NEW BOARDER! SHE CALLED THE POLICE, WHO FOUND ITS BATTERY MISSING, AS THEY WERE SEARCHING CARLO'S ROOM, THE DOOR OPENED!

THAT'S HIM NOW!

HE'S GOIN' FOR A GUN!

BULLS! I'VE WALKED INTO THEM!

YOU'RE CORNERED, YOU @#!!!xx! RAISE 'EM UP!

AIEEE!

WELL, THE D.A. HAD THE RED SWEATER, THE CAP, AND THE FLORIST'S TESTIMONY! POOR CARLO HADN'T A CHANCE! WHILE HE AWAITED TRIAL, HE READ OF THE ESPOSITO BOYS' ARREST, SENTENCE AND EXECUTION! THAT GAVE HIM A BRAINSTORM!

MY ONLY CHANCE IS TO PLAY NUTS LIKE WILLIE DID! I'LL JUST BE MORE CONVINCIN', THAT'S ALL!

MAD DOG ESPOSITO BROTHERS ACT LIKE NUTS IN COURT

I'M GOIN' INTO BURLESQUE! I'M STRIPPIN', I TELL YA! I'M GYPSY ROSE LEE, YOU @!xxx*!! FOOLS!

ORDER IN THE COURT! YOU CERTAINLY ARE CRAZY, BARRONE, TO THINK THAT YOU COULD FOOL THIS COURT WITH SUCH ABSURD ANTICS!

CARLO BARRONE, YOU ARE SENTENCED TO DIE IN THE ELECTRIC CHAIR IN SING-SING ON SEPTEMBER 10, 1942! NOW THERE IS SOMETHING FOR YOU TO GO CRAZY ABOUT!

N..NO! I DON'T WANT TO DIE!

WELL, NEITHER DID ANY OF MY PUPILS, CARLO! BUT THEY DID— ALL OF THEM! WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE—THERE WILL BE OTHER SUCKERS JOINING MY CLASS, LEARNING HOW TO ROB AND KILL!

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YES, BUT WHEN WILL THEY LEARN THAT CRIME DOES NOT PAY!

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CRIME QUIZ

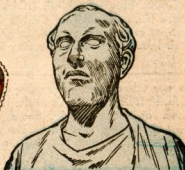
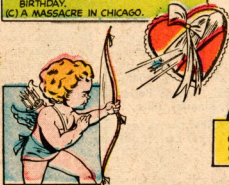
IN ORDER TO WAYLAY ANY POSSIBLE READER INFERENCE TO THE CONTRARY, THE PURPOSE OF THIS CRIME QUIZ SERIES IS TO BETTER ACQUAINT OUR MILLIONS OF READERS WITH SOME OF THE MORE COMMON TERMS, METHODS AND FACTS USED BY OUR AUTHORS TO DRAMATIZE THE TRUE CRIME STORIES IN THIS MAGAZINE. OF COURSE, IT'S NECESSARY TO SAY THAT WE HOPE YOU ENJOY THESE QUIZZES!

TEST YOUR WITS!

ROBERT LAWRENCE, NOTED CRIMINOLOGIST, HAS DELVED INTO HIS FILES FOR SOME CURIOUSLY INTERESTING CRIME DETECTION FACTS. JUST HOW HIGH IS YOUR DETECTION I, Q.? ARE YOU A SHERLOCK HOLMES OR A KEYSTONE COP? CHECK EACH QUESTION A, B OR C, THEN, TURN PAGE UPSIDE DOWN FOR THE ANSWERS—

AND DON'T LET THE PICTURES FOOL YOU!

1... ST. VALENTINE'S DAY WILL BE REMEMBERED BY GANGLAND AS:
(A) DUTCH SCHULTZ'S WEDDING DAY.
(B) SAFE-CRACKER JIMMY VALENTINE'S BIRTHDAY.
(C) A MASSACRE IN CHICAGO.



2... A "CORPUS DELICTI" IS:
(A) A HANDSOME CORPSE.
(B) LATIN FOR "DETECTIVE CORP".
(C) A DEAD BODY.

3... THE SULLIVAN LAW APPLIES TO:

- (A) ILLEGAL OWNERSHIP OF GUNS.
- (B) PENALTIES FOR KIDNAPING.
- (C) GAMBLING AT BOXING MATCHES.



4... IN CRIME, A TORPEDO REFERS TO
(A) A LARGE, EXPENSIVE CIGAR.
(B) A HOME-MADE BOMB.
(C) A GUN-MAN.



5... DEVIL'S ISLAND IS A:

- (A) FAMOUS CALIFORNIA GAMBLING RESORT.
- (B) FRENCH PENAL COLONY.
- (C) FORMER NAZI CONCENTRATION CAMP.



6... MEETING A "CONFIDENCE MAN" MEANS MEETING:
(A) AN EGOTISTIC SHARPIE.
(B) A SWINDLER.
(C) YOUR MOST TRUSTED FRIEND.



7... DEATH BY GUILLOTINE INVOLVES:
(A) GAS.
(B) POISON.
(C) DECAPITATION.



8... THE "BLACK SOX" WAS
(A) A GANG OF KILLERS WHO WORE DISTINCTIVE SOCKS.
(B) THE TEAM WHICH THREW THE 1919 WORLD SERIES.
(C) A GANG OF NEW YORK GARMENT DISTRICT GUNMEN.

SCORE YOURSELF 10 FOR EACH CORRECT ANSWER. WITH A SCORE OF 0 TO 20, YOU COULDN'T FIND THE LIGHT-SWITCH IN YOUR OWN BEDROOM. 30 TO 40, MAKES YOU A BETTER GRADE DOG-CATCHER. WITH 50 TO 60, YOU'RE SHOWING SOME POTENTIALITIES AS A SLEUTH. IF YOU MAKE 70 OR 80, WHICH IS HARD TO IMAGINE, YOU SHOULD BE EITHER A FIRST-GRADE DETECTIVE OR YOU'VE MISSED YOUR CALLING.

ANSWERS:

1. (C) 2. (C) 3. (A) 4. (C) 5. (B) 6. (B) 7. (C) 8. (B)

WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND?**\$200 FOR EACH LETTER PUBLISHED \$200****Dear Reader:**

In every issue of CRIME DOES NOT PAY this page is devoted to your opinions, ideas and suggestions. Since the conception of CRIME DOES NOT PAY we have been guided by two ideals—first, the eradication of crime and, second, to give credit to the fearless detectives and officers of the law who daily risk their lives that you and we may live in a more lawful society.

CHARLES BIRO and BOB WOOD, Editors

In our school the teacher saw my brother reading CRIME DOES NOT PAY so she took it away. During noon hour she read it. She said it was grand, so now she always reads it to the class every month.

Yours truly, Marvin Porter
R.F.D. 1, Kingsley, Mich.

Please send us the name of your school teacher and your school, Marvin. We'd like to put her on our mailing list.

We have officially opened a "Junior Crime Club" in honor of your CRIME COMICS. Our club library is being stocked with CRIME DOES NOT PAY because of its true account of crime and its results—Crime Does Not Pay. Carry on the good work.

Yours truly, Goalam H. Pates
342 c/o Sixth & Mogul Sts.
Asiatic Bazaar, Pretoria, Tl., South Africa

That's a great honor and CRIME DOES NOT PAY magazine will remain worthy of it.

Everyone knows that crime does not pay, but there was a boy in my room at school who learned that fact the hard way. He was arrested for stealing a comic book at the local magazine store. Guess what he was stealing when we was caught? A CRIME DOES NOT PAY comic book.

Yours very truly, Sam Murphy, S. M., Paris, Texas

"We the people of the United States, in order to form a more perfect union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquillity, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America." What I have just written is the Preamble to the Constitution. There are reasons in the Preamble telling why we have written the Constitution. I believe your magazine CRIME DOES NOT PAY stands for those points and more. Yours, as long as you keep up the good work.

Wilma Steinberg, c/o Weinberg
2067 Davidson Avenue, Bronx 53, N. Y.

Now and forever.

Unless you're on your toes when CRIME DOES NOT PAY comes out, it's hard to get a copy. It is always the first magazine sold out. Who says the younger generation is going to the dogs?

George Wiant
2311 Ninth St., S.W., Canton, Ohio

America's youth is the most fair minded in the world but there are those who won't play the American way of life according to the rules.

Recently we had a discussion of comic books in our school. Practically all the kids were in favor of CRIME DOES NOT PAY. The teacher read a copy and from now on we are going to have a group reading of your wonderful magazine, everytime it comes out. She said it should be required reading for every student, which will suit us!

Sincerely, Alfred Cobb
91-22 Sutter Ave., Ozone Park, L. I.

It suits us, too.

CRIME DOES NOT PAY gave me an idea regarding neighborhood boys who always portrayed gangsters in their shoot-'em-up games.

By distributing several copies of this publication among them each month I can report, these former gangsters have become G-Men, F.B.I. Agents and Lawmen.

They discovered that CRIME DOES NOT PAY the harmless way.

F. D. Koontz, Moundsville, W. Va.

Shake, F. D.

With the appearance of more and more "trite" publications on bookstands, it has become difficult to find decent reading material.

It is my sincere belief that if all publishers followed your ideas of righteousness and fair play, the problem of choosing good reading would be made simple.

Yours sincerely, W. J. Laughman
236 Richardson Street, Martinez, Calif.

Those in favor, say Aye! Aye, Aye!

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DR. HOLMES

THE MASTER OF MURDER CASTLE



IN CHICAGO, AT THE TURN OF THE CENTURY THERE DWELT A HUMAN BEAST WHO MADE THE SHOCKING TALE OF DR. JEKYLL AND MR. HYDE A NURSERY TALE ALONGSIDE HIS OWN GRUESOME ACTIVITIES, RIVALLING THE BLOODIEST BRUTALITIES OF THE LEGENDARY BLUEBEARD. DR. HOLMES SLAUGHTERED HIS WAY INTO CRIMINAL INFAMY AS "THE MASTER OF MURDER CASTLE"!

IN THE YEAR, 1887, IN CHICAGO, A GAUNT FIGURE PAUSED AT THE CORNER OF 63RD AND WALLACE STS.



AN ATTRACTIVE WIDOW ADVERTISING FOR A MALE ASSISTANT FOR HER PHARMACY? I MUST LOOK INTO THIS!

HELP WANTED-MALE
APOTHECARY
63 W. B.
MISS HOLDEN

Marble River Scan

MISS HOLDEN, IT IS MY DEAREST WISH TO BE THE HUMBLE ASSISTANT OF SO CAPTIVATING A WOMAN AS YOURSELF!

HOW DISTINGUISHED A MAN! I WILL BE LUCKY TO HAVE HIM AS MY ASSISTANT!



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DARLING, WE'VE KNOWN EACH OTHER FOR ALMOST TWO MONTHS! I DO LOVE YOU! MARRY ME, PLEASE PLEASE SAY YOU WILL!

A HUSBAND SHOULD MANAGE THE PURSE STRINGS, MY LOVE! OF COURSE I'LL MARRY YOU DEAR—JUST AS SOON AS YOUR PROPERTY IS MINE!

NOW THAT THAT IS SETTLED, LET'S DRIVE AROUND THE LAKE AND DISCUSS OUR MARRIAGE PLANS!

WONDERFUL, DARLING! I'M SO HAPPY! JUST THINK, IN A FEW DAYS WE'LL BE MARRIED!

DEATH WILL BE YOUR BRIDEGROOM, MY PET!

UGHH...



A LITTLE HONEYMOON TRIP ACROSS LAKE MICHIGAN SHOULD BE APPROPRIATE! NOW ABOUT A WEDDING PRESENT—HOW ABOUT A STONE? YES, THAT'S IT! A NICE BIG STONE!

FAREWELL, MY LOVE! REST IN PEACE—AND NOW I MUST GET BACK TO MY BUSINESS!



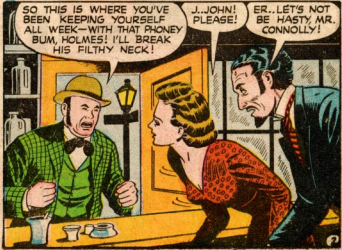
WHAT THIS PLACE NEEDS, MY DEAR MRS. CONNOLLY, IS A WOMAN'S TOUCH! I THINK YOU'RE THE RIGHT PERSON FOR THE POSITION! YOU MAY START TOMORROW!

OH, THANK YOU, DOCTOR, I'LL WORK HARD! I'M SURE YOU WON'T REGRET IT!

SO THIS IS WHERE YOU'VE BEEN KEEPING YOURSELF ALL WEEK—WITH THAT PONEY BUM, HOLMES! I'LL BREAK HIS FILTHY NECK!

J...JOHN! PLEASE!

ER...LET'S NOT BE HASTY, MR. CONNOLLY!



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DON'T, JOHN!
DON'T HURT
HIM!

LET'S SETTLE THIS DISCUSSION
LIKE GENTLEMEN! I'LL GIVE YOU
ALL THE SATISFACTION YOU
WANT, CONNOLLY--IN
THE CELLAR!

YOU STAY HERE,
DARLING--WE
MUST SETTLE
THIS ALONE!

YOU BET! COME ON,
YOU RAT, I WANT
MY REVENGE!



SORRY, BUT
YOUR REVENGE
WILL HAVE TO
WAIT!

URGHH...



SO YOU AND YOUR REVENGE GO UP
IN SMOKE, CONNOLLY, AND YOUR WIFE
AND THE WORLD WILL THINK YOU
MADE A COWARDLY
DISAPPEARANCE!



THEN HE SAID HE NEVER HAD
LOVED YOU, ANYWAY--THAT HE
WAS GOING TO GET A DIVORCE--
AND RAN OUT THE
CELLAR
DOOR, THE
SPINELESS
BEAST!

HOW HORRIBLE--
LEAVING ME ALONE
WITH A CHILD--
WHAT'LL I DO?

THERE,
THERE, ANN--
DON'T YOU FRET!
I'LL MARRY
YOU!



YOU'VE BEEN VERY SUCCESSFUL,
DARLING, IN THE FIVE YEARS WE'VE
BEEN MARRIED! NOW YOU HAVE THE
MONEY TO BUILD THAT BIG HOTEL
YOU'VE ALWAYS
DREAMED OF!

YES, MY
PET--IT SHALL
BE THE MOST
UNUSUAL HOTEL
IN THE
WORLD!



ONLY HOLMES AND A FEW TRUSTED
CARPENTERS KNEW HOW THE 'HOTEL'
WAS BEING BUILT, ALL OUTSIDERS
KNEW WAS THAT IT RESEMBLED A
CASTLE...

COMPLETE WITH TRAP
DOORS, SECRET PASSAGeways,
WINDOWLESS ROOMS, FALSE
DOORS, AND A HUNDRED
TRICKS BLUEBEARD WOULD
HAVE ADORDED!

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BUT MIDWAY IN ITS COMPLETION TROUBLE DEVELOPED!

WE NEED MORE MONEY, DOCTOR! THOSE CRAZY PASSAGEWAYS AND GADGETS ARE EXPENSIVE!

WITHOUT MORE FUNDS WE'LL HAVE TO ABANDON THE BUILDING!

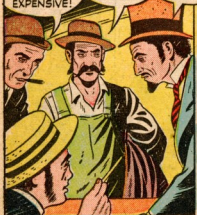
NO, NO, WE CAN'T STOP NOW! GIVE ME A WEEK—I'LL GET MORE MONEY!

DO TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF, DARLING!

I'LL BE BACK IN A FEW DAYS, MY DEAR—JUST A LITTLE BUSINESS TO TRANSACT IN TEXAS!

WE TEXANS DON'T APPROVE OF HASTY COURTSHIPS, BUT I'M SURE YOU'RE THE RIGHT MAN FOR MY BETINA! NOW, ABOUT THE DOWRY, \$20,000 WILL HAVE TO SUFFICE!

THANK YOU, MR. JENNINGS! BETINA, MY DARLING, I'LL MAKE YOU HAPPY—NAME THE DAY AND PLEASE MAKE IT SOON!



NEXT SUNDAY, MY DEAR, IF THAT SUITS YOU!

I NEVER EXPECTED BETINA TO HOOK ANY MAN—MUCH LESS SO DASHING A ONE AS DR. HOLMES!

OH, SWEETHEART, I'M SO THRILLED! I KNOW I'LL LOVE LIVING IN CHICAGO!

YOU SURELY WILL, BUT YOU'LL HAVE TO WAIT TILL I DISPOSE OF MY PRESENT WIFE!



BUT, DARLING, WHY CAN'T I COME WITH YOU NOW? WHY MUST I WAIT TWO WEEKS?

I WANT YOUR NEW HOME TO BE ALL IN READINESS WHEN YOU FIRST SEE IT! GOODBYE, MY LOVE!

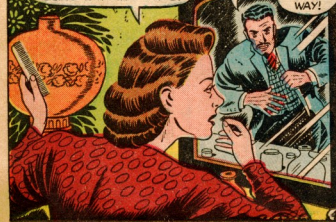


I'M SO GLAD YOU'RE BACK, DEAR! THE CARPENTERS HAVE BEEN ASKING FOR YOU! DID YOU HAVE A NIC... WH...WHY, WHAT ARE YOU DOING WITH THAT KNIFE!

YOU'VE MORE THAN OUTLIVED YOUR USEFULNESS, ANN! YOU ARE NOW VERY MUCH IN MY WAY!

I'VE BEEN FAR TOO PATIENT WITH YOU, MY PET!

N..NO! AALIEE!!



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...AND THIS BRAT OF YOURS IS ALSO IN THE WAY!



THANK HEAVENS THEY'RE TAKEN CARE OF! NOW I CAN SUMMON BETINA TO SHARE MY CASTLE WITH ME—WITH HER FATHER'S \$20,000, IT WILL SOON BE COMPLETED!



WHAT GOES ON, DARLING? THAT'S THE TENTH YOUNG WOMAN TO VISIT YOU IN THE THREE DAYS I'VE BEEN HERE! JUST WHAT KIND OF BUSINESS ARE YOU IN?

I FIND EMPLOYMENT FOR THEM, MY DEAR—YOU MUST EXCUSE ME NOW WHILE I PREPARE AN ADVERTISEMENT FOR TOMORROW'S PAPER!



THIS SHOULD BRING THE PRETTY FOOLS IN DROVES!

WANTED
BEAUTIFUL YOUNG WOMEN
AS SECRETARIES
IMMEDIATE PLACEMENT
UPON RECEIPT OF SMALL
GUARANTEE.
SEE DR. HOLMES
AT HIS OFFICE



THIS IS ALL THE MONEY I HAVE IN THE WORLD, DR. HOLMES! IF I DON'T GET THE POSITION I'LL BE DESTITUTE! YOU SEE, I'M AN ORPHAN—I'LL HAVE NO ONE TO TURN TO!

YOU POOR THING—HOW UNFORTUNATE! YOU MUST STAY AT MY HOTEL, FREE OF CHARGE UNTIL I PLACE YOU WITH AN EMPLOYER!



WHAT A CHARMING ROOM, DOCTOR! THIS IS AWFULLY KIND OF YOU!

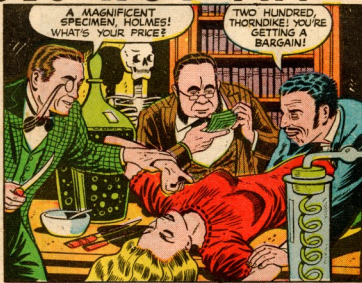
MAKE YOURSELF COMFORTABLE, GET A GOOD NIGHT'S REST AND I'LL SEE YOU IN THE MORNING! I MAY HAVE SOME NEWS OF THAT POSITION!

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YOU NEED NOT WAIT TILL MORNING, MY DEAR! YOUR SERVICES WILL BE REQUIRED SOONER THAN I HAD ANTICIPATED! A MR. THORNDIKE WILL BE HERE WITHIN THE HOUR AND YOU MUST BE READY!

EEEEEE!!
AAAGH!!



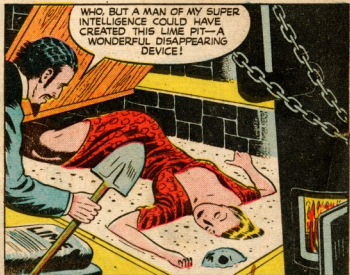
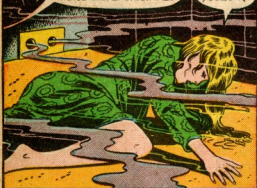
A MAGNIFICENT SPECIMEN, HOLMES! WHAT'S YOUR PRICE?

TWO HUNDRED, THORNDIKE! YOU'RE GETTING A BARGAIN!

HOLMES' WIFE, BETINA, "MYSTERIOUSLY DISAPPEARED" SHORTLY AFTER HE HAD USED UP THE \$20,000 DOWRY. IN THE MONTHS TO FOLLOW, MANY JOB APPLICANTS WITH THE SAME QUALIFICATIONS APPLIED TO HOLMES.

MY GAS CHAMBER IS BECOMING RATHER COMMON PLACE! I MUST DREAM UP SOMETHING NEW...SOMETHING MORE ORIGINAL!

? COUGH ?
? COUGH ?



WHO, BUT A MAN OF MY SUPER INTELLIGENCE COULD HAVE CREATED THIS LIME PIT—A WONDERFUL DISAPPEARING DEVICE!

HOLMES' RUTHLESS MANIACAL BRAIN WAS ALWAYS ALERT FOR NEW "BUSINESS METHODS".

DON'T STRAIN YOUR TONGUES, MY LOVE! THE ROOM IS SOUND PROOF! I AM NOW DEALING IN SKELETONS AND IT SHALL BE YOUR HONOR TO BECOME MY FIRST PIECE OF MERCHANDISE!

HELP!



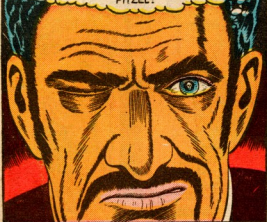
SHE WAS A REAL BEAUTY, THORNDIKE! I SHOULD SAVE HER FOR MY PRIZE COLLECTION, BUT I AM PRESSED FOR CASH! YOU MAY HAVE HER FOR \$250!

SOLD, HOLMES! I COULD USE MORE LIKE THIS—SEE YOU NEXT WEEK!



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I MUST GET SOME NEW AND DIFFERENT TORTURE INSTRUMENTS, BUT IT WILL TAKE MORE MONEY THAN I HAVE ON HAND! I'LL CONTACT PITZEL!



PITZEL WAS HOLMES' CONTACT MAN WITH MEDICAL INSTITUTIONS. HOLMES APPROACHED HIM WITH A "SHREWD PROPOSITION".

A BRILLIANT IDEA, HOLMES! WE INSURE MY LIFE FOR \$10,000, FIND OURSELVES A CORPSE THAT RESEMBLES ME, AND COLLECT!

EXACTLY, PITZEL! NOW HERE'S MY PLAN! WE'LL GO TO PHILADELPHIA AND LOOK FOR THE "CORPSE-TO-BE" THERE! PEOPLE AROUND HERE ARE GROWING SUSPICIOUS OF ME!



YOU FOOL, PITZEL, NOT TO SEE THAT I MERELY WANTED TO GET YOU AWAY FROM CHICAGO—THE SEARCH IS OVER, NO SUBSTITUTE WILL BE NECESSARY!



HOLMES THEN MURDERED PITZEL'S THREE CHILDREN WHOM HE HAD INDUCED TO TAKE THE TRIP TO PHILADELPHIA WITH THEIR FATHER. ENROUTE BACK TO CHICAGO, HE STOPPED OFF AT INDIANAPOLIS TO BURY THEM.



I'LL BUY TORTURE INSTRUMENTS WITH THE INSURANCE MONEY THAT'LL PUT BLUEBEARD TO SHAME.... PLEASANT DREAMS!



IN CHICAGO...

SORRY, MRS. PITZEL! I DON'T KNOW WHERE YOUR HUSBAND AND CHILDREN ARE! I LEFT THEM IN PHILADELPHIA!

I DON'T BELIEVE YOU, HOLMES!



MRS. PITZEL KNEW ENOUGH OF HER HUSBAND'S DEALINGS WITH HOLMES TO ASK FOR A CHECK-UP ON PITZEL'S BODY. IT WAS EXHUMED IN PHILADELPHIA.

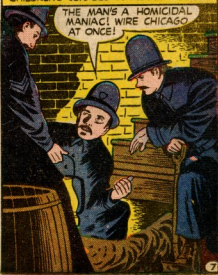
I SHUDDER TO THINK WHAT'S BECOME OF THE THREE CHILDREN!

THE ROTTEN SKUNK—SHOT HIM THROUGH THE BACK OF HIS NECK!



THE POLICE TRACED HOLMES' ROUTE HOME FROM PHILADELPHIA AND DISCOVERED THE CHILDREN'S CORPSES IN INDIANAPOLIS...

THE MAN'S A HOMICIDAL MANIAC! WIRE CHICAGO AT ONCE!



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A SIGHT OF HORROR GREETED THE RAIDING POLICEMEN IN CHICAGO...

YOU DIRTY RAT, HOLMES! WE OUGHT TO START TORTURING YOU RIGHT HERE!

B... BUT GENTLEMEN, YOU...

SHUT UP, HOLMES! RE-RELEASE THE GIRL, BRADY! I'VE GOT THE SKUNK COVERED!



GENTLEMEN OF THE JURY—HAVE YOU REACHED A VERDICT?

GUILTY, YOUR HONOR! WE DEEPLY REGRET THAT THERE IS NO STRONGER PUNISHMENT WE CAN DEMAND FOR THIS MANIACAL FIEND THAN DEATH BY HANGING!



HOLMES PAID THE EXTREME PENALTY IN A PHILADELPHIA PRISON. WHAT A PITY THAT SO HUMAN A DEVICE AS A GALLOW SHOULD BE THE INSTRUMENT OF DEATH FOR THE MASTER OF MURDER CASTLE!



This'll kill you!



HELLO, HONEYBUNCH? DID PAPA'S BABY DOLL STUFF THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLARS IN DADDY'S POCKET THIS MORNING?

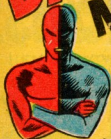


I'M DREADFULLY SORRY WE LOST THE CASE, OLD MAN—NOW ABOUT YOUR APARTMENT!



IT'S FOR YOU!

WHAT IS **DAREDEVIL** MADE OF?



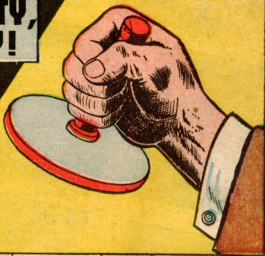
**BROTHERHOOD, COURAGE AND
TRUTH-AND THE FIRE OF YOUTH!**

WHAT'S A **CRIMINAL** MADE OF?

**LIES, HATE AND VULGARITY,
DECEIT AND BRUTALITY!**



**THE TWO
WILL NEVER
COMPROMISE**



WHEN YOU
WANT THE BEST
IN ENTERTAINMENT AND
THAT GOES FOR ANYTHING
AND EVERYTHING ON
THE NEWSSTANDS, IT'S

**DAREDEVIL,
BOY AND CRIME**
DOES NOT PAY
HANDS DOWN!
THERE IS NO
COMPROMISE!

DAREDEVIL COMICS IS
TOPS AND I OUGHT TO
KNOW. MY CLUB TOOK
A VOTE THE OTHER
DAY AND DAREDEVIL
WON 9 TO 1.

SINCERELY YOURS
RAYMOND CESAITIS
TEDWARD ST.
WORCESTER, MASS.

To * Wood:
Four out of five
in our club liked
Daredevil comics
best. Keep up the
Splendid work.

Respectfully yours,
Charles Mc Partin, Jr.
1825 Kimball St.
Brooklyn 10, N.Y.

42 Cambridge St.
Revere, Mass.

Dear Sirs:
With all of the boys
around here, it's
Daredevil, four to one.

Sincerely yours,
Alphonse Ambrosino

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OUR CLUB VOTED FOR
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AND DAREDEVIL GOT IT,
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REUNION IN DEATH

A TRUE CRIME STORY

THE spacious white farmhouse was well kept, as was the barn some 150 feet to the rear—indications that the 160-acre dairy farm of David Lynes in Washington Court House, Ohio, was paying well. The killer noted these things mentally as he drove into the yard and parked his car in the rear of the house.

But prosperity had not made David Lynes a whit less stingy, the killer thought. The miserliness of the man, preventing Catherine's marriage until she had repaid him for the money he had spent on her education! Funny how these thoughts whetted his appetite for the kill!

As he stepped from his car the killer drew his topcoat about him, for it was cold on this Thanksgiving Eve in 1943—cold and damp, as if flurries of snow might blow across this Ohio country at any moment. The killer knew the barn door was open enough to allow his body to pass through, for the yellow flickering light of a lantern cast eerie shadows through the opening, shadows made by the motions of David Lynes, as he bedded down the cattle for the night.

The killer entered stealthily, the scattered straw spilled on the floor, making a cushion for his feet. David Lynes was now in full view but had not noticed the intrusion. The killer moved a step forward, nearer David Lynes. Then another, and another. Behind the man the killer stopped. David Lynes, holding his lantern, was inspecting the udder of one of his cows. It was perfect for murder! The killer merely drew the automatic from his topcoat pocket. He pulled the trigger. There was the bark of the gun and then a steel-jacketed slug entered David Lynes' brain, killing him instantly. The killer blew out the lantern and walked back again into the yard.

There was a chance, the killer knew, that someone inside the house might have heard the shot. And besides, his car parked there in the rear might have been seen. The killer walked slowly toward the front of the house. Yes, there on the screen porch stood Lynes' wife. The killer saw her silhouette against the light that shone through the front window.

"Oh, it's you!" the woman said. "I thought it

was David."

The killer did not reply. He drew the automatic from his pocket and took aim.

"What are you doing?" the woman screamed.

Again the killer did not reply. But his gun spoke. Five times it spoke until the weapon was empty. Then he drew another gun, a .38 revolver. He fired two more shots through the screening. He would have gone on firing, but down the road a car was approaching. At the wheel was Catherine Lynes. The killer stood uncertainly for a moment, then dodged into the shadows of the porch. He watched the car come to the driveway and turn in. It took the killer but a moment to make up his mind. It was now getting dark. There was no other way.

A few hours earlier, Catherine Lynes had locked her desk. Her teaching at Pittsburg High was over until the following Monday and now she could go home for Thanksgiving. She closed her eyes as she sat there in the empty classroom and dreamed just for a moment of Billy Case, her former classmate at Ohio State University. Billy loved her and Catherine loved Billy. Why, she asked herself, was fate so strongly set against their marrying?

"Fate?" Billy had written her from camp. "Fate, Catherine? You know it is not fate, but your father's selfishness!"

Catherine wondered just vaguely if she loved her father and his petty ways. Then she brushed the thought aside. Of course, she loved him. If Dad wanted back the money he had spent on her education, it was merely caution against the day when he might not work his farm. Of course she loved him. And this was Thanksgiving and she was going home to a reunion with her family. There would be Mother and Dad and Uncle Radley and Aunt Ellen, Cousin Ben and his wife and baby!

Catherine rose and went for her coat. She could not stay there mooning. It would be late now before she reached home, driving steadily.

And now as she reached her own driveway, she relaxed happily. Home at last! She drove past the house into the back yard. She did not see the killer's parked car at first and then her headlights caught it. She turned out the lights of her car and

stepped to the ground as the killer approached.

"My dear!" she exclaimed with pleasure.

"It's going to be cold tonight, Catherine," the killer said. "You'd better let me check the alcohol in your radiator."

It was not the kind of reception she had expected, but she reentered her car and raised the hood by means of a lever under the dash. She stepped out to greet the killer. Then the terror of the situation struck home. The killer already had the .38 revolver aimed at her. She tried to cry out, but words failed her. Then the gun cracked and Catherine sank to the ground, her consciousness—her life—ebbing, as the killer returned to his car and drove off into the darkness.

Sheriff John Geist was grim as he interviewed the neighbors. A hired hand, coming to work for David Lynes, had found the bodies on Thanksgiving morning. Now word had spread far and near and the townfolk of Washington Court House, Ohio, flocked to the scene.

Relatives, who had intended to spend the day with the Lyneses, arrived from Clinton County, approximately 40 miles away. Radley Taylor, brother-in-law of the slain couple and uncle of Catherine was shocked and vowed vengeance on the killer, if it took his last penny. Ellen Taylor, Radley's wife and sister of the slain mother, was too grief-stricken to speak. Young Ben Tyler and Ben's wife did what they could to ease the sorrow of their parents, although they, too, were badly shaken by the sudden tragedy in their midst.

Sheriff Geist, however, held an ace he had mentioned to no one. He called the Radley's to one side now and spoke to them.

"Do you know of Catherine's having a fiance?" he asked.

Radley Taylor's jaw twitched nervously. "Good heavens, you don't think . . .?"

"I don't draw conclusions until I have evidence," Geist replied, "but I found a letter from a certain Bill Case in Catherine's purse. He evidently was upset because her father refused to allow Catherine to marry him."

Taylor was staring ahead, as if in a trance. "Case, Bill Case, that was the name!" he said at last. "I thought David was a bit foolish to object so strongly in spite of the money he claimed Catherine owed him!"

"The letter came from Camp Crowder, Missouri," said Geist. "I'll wire for information."

Sheriff Geist turned directly to Radley Taylor. "Rad," he said, "I've known you and your family all my life, but murders have been committed and duty requires me to check all possible angles. I'll

have to check your statements and those of your family as to your whereabouts last night."

Taylor smiled, although sadly. "I'd expect you to, John. In fact, I want you to."

Awaiting a reply from Camp Crowder concerning the whereabouts of Bill Case, John Geist checked the statements of Taylor's family. It is sufficient to say that, in each and every instance their stories proved conclusively that the killings could not possibly have been by any member of the family. Geist's reason for the close checking of the Taylors was that there was considerable money and property involved, which, in event of the Lyneses' death, was to be inherited by the Taylors.

Then, just as Sheriff John Geist felt that he had the criminal tagged, the report from Camp Crowder informed the sheriff that Bill Case had been ill in the infirmary for over a week and could not possibly have committed the crimes. Geist went back to the statements of all those whom he had interviewed.

One of the strongest links in the chain of evidence in favor of accepting Radley Taylor's alibi had been that his car's speedometer reading, checked with the reading of a garage mechanic who, the day before Thanksgiving, had greased Taylor's car, showed he had driven only 45 miles, while the distance from his home to that of the Lyneses and back was about 80. Now Geist had the same garage man inspect the car once more.

The garageman's verdict was: "The speedometer has been tampered with, John. It could have been changed!"

Sheriff Geist did not want to believe what he heard, but his duty was clear. He approached Radley Taylor again.

"Rad," he asked, "would you be willing to take a lie-detector test in Toledo?"

"You mean one of those gadgets I've been reading about? Why, sure, John. Sure I would!"

On the first of December, at 9 A.M., Sheriff Geist and Radley Taylor reached Toledo Headquarters. By the end of that day Radley Taylor had confessed to three murders, primarily for the inheritance money!

Tough before his trial and during it, Radley Taylor completely refuted his confession by claiming duress and "double-dealing." A jury of nine men and three women, deliberating only 2¾ hours, found him guilty of murder in the first degree. On April 20, 1945, Radley Taylor died in the electric chair at Ohio State Penitentiary and learned the *hard way* and *too late* that Crime Does NOT Pay!

The End.

CRIME DOES NOT PAY

The BEAST OF BROOKLYN

A
**TRUE
CRIME
STORY**

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GREAT SCOTT!
MRS. ANDREW'S
HOUSE—IT'S
ON FIRE!

I'LL RING
IN AN
ALARM! GET
SOME WATER,
PETE!

HURRY
JACK, THERE
ARE ABOUT
TWENTY
PEOPLE IN
THERE!

THEY
MUST ALL
BE TRAPPED!
NO ONE'S
COME OUT
YET!



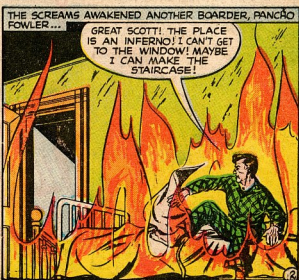
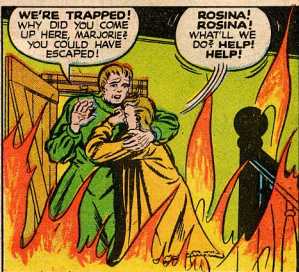
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ONE OF MRS. ANDREWS' BOARDERS, GEORGE KEIM, WAS ASPHYXIATED IN HIS BED—HE DIDN'T HAVE A CHANCE!

HER SON, CHARLES, FUTILELY DASHED FOR THE SHOWER WHERE HE WAS LATER FOUND BURNED TO DEATH!



MRS. ANDREWS' DAUGHTER, MARJORIE, RUSHED UP-STAIRS TO AWAKEN THE HOUSEKEEPER, ROSINA, WHO SLEPT IN THE ATTC...



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AAGH!!
IT'S CAVING
IN! IT'S
COLLAPSING!



YIIII!!



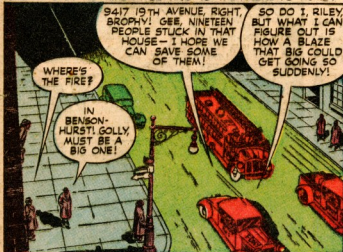
MOTHER!
MOTHER! HELP!
I CAN'T GET
OUT! HELP!

LILLIAN ANDREWS WAS TRAPPED
IN HER BEDROOM WHEN HER
DOOR STUCK.



YIII!!
HELP!
AAAGH!

FOUR ALARMS WERE SENT OUT—CHIEF FIRE MARSHAL TOM BROPHY LOST NO TIME IN GETTING TO THE ANDREWS' HOME!



9417 19TH AVENUE, RIGHT,
BROPHY! GEE, NINETEEN
PEOPLE STUCK IN THAT
HOUSE—I HOPE WE
CAN SAVE SOME
OF THEM!

SO DO I, RILEY,
BUT WHAT I CAN'T
FIGURE OUT IS
HOW A BLAZE
THAT BIG COULD
GET GOING SO
SUDDENLY!

WHERE'S
THE FIRE?

IN
BENSON-
HURST! GOLLY,
MUST BE A
BIG ONE!



HURRY, BOYS,
GET ONE HOSE
INTO THE CELLAR!
IT PROBABLY
STARTED
THERE!

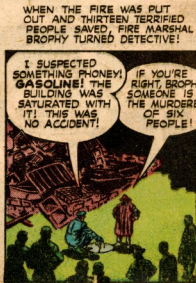
WOW, THIS
SHACK MUST
HAVE BEEN
DUNKED IN
GASOLINE!

RIGHT,
CHIEF!



GET A LADDER
UP TO THAT
SECOND FLOOR
WINDOW, JONES!
HOW MANY
ARE STILL
INSIDE!

WE'VE RESCUED
TWELVE SO FAR!
MUST BE ABOUT
SEVEN STILL IN
THERE—IT'S A
MIRACLE WE GOT
ANY OF THEM
OUT!



WHEN THE FIRE WAS PUT
OUT AND THIRTEEN TERRIFIED
PEOPLE SAVED, FIRE MARSHAL
BROPHY TURNED DETECTIVE!

I SUSPECTED
SOMETHING FINEY,
GASOLINE! THE
BUILDING WAS
SATURATED WITH
IT! THIS WAS
NO ACCIDENT!

IF YOU'RE
RIGHT, BROPHY,
SOMEONE IS
THE MURDERER
OF SIX PEOPLE!



I KNOW I'M RIGHT, BUT
WHETHER THIS IS THE WORK
OF A PYROMANIAC, ONE WHO
DELIGHTS MERELY IN SEEING
FIRES—OR A FIREBUG
WITH A CRIMINAL MOTIVE,
I'M NOT QUITE
SURE!

SMIFF
SMIFF

CRIME DOES NOT PAY

BROPHY FIGURED IT WAS THE WORK OF A COLD-BLOODED MURDERER AND PROBED INTO THE LIVES OF THE NINETEEN PEOPLE WHO HAD LIVED AT 9417 19TH AVENUE.

NOW LOOK, I'M NOT ACCUSING ANYONE, BUT I INSIST THAT YOU ALL ANSWER SOME QUESTIONS! THE FIRE WAS NOT ACCIDENTAL! I NEED YOUR HELP, IF WE'RE TO FIND THE GUILTY PARTY!

I'VE CHECKED WITH ALL THE NEIGHBORS, BROPHY! THE ANDREWS HAVEN'T AN ENEMY IN THE WORLD... BUT WE KNOW NOTHING ABOUT THE TWO BOARDERS, RANCHO FOWLER AND GEORGE KEIM, WHO DIED!

HELLO, RILEY, I JUST CHECKED ON PANCHO FOWLER WITH THE MEXICAN AUTHORITIES! HE WAS IN THE OIL DRILLING BUSINESS THERE—DOESN'T SEEM TO BE ANYTHING SUSPICIOUS ABOUT HIS BACKGROUND!

NOW ABOUT GEORGE KEIM—WE CAN CHECK ON HIM OURSELVES!

WHERE DO WE BEGIN, CHIEF?

WE'LL START WITH KEIM'S IMMEDIATE FAMILY, HIS DAUGHTER, AN ONLY CHILD, AND HER HUSBAND, WILLIAM FORD!

EVERYBODY LOVED POP, MR. BROPHY! WHY, WHEN BILL AND I GOT MARRIED, DAD TOOK HIM INTO HIS REAL ESTATE BUSINESS!

I LOVED THE OLD MAN AS IF HE WAS MY OWN FATHER!

BUT A CHECK-UP IN BENSONHURST PROVED A DIFFERENT STORY...

YOU SAY THAT KEIM AND HIS SON-IN-LAW, WILLIAM FORD, ARE NO LONGER PARTNERS?

ARE YOU KIDDING? THEY HATED EACH OTHER LIKE POISON—THEY WERE ALWAYS ARGUING ABOUT SOMETHING!

LET'S GO, RILEY, MAYBE WE CAN LEARN MORE FROM KEIM'S OFFICE!

YES, MR. KEIM AND MR. FORD FOUGHT LIKE CATS AND DOGS! ONE TIME MR. KEIM'S DAUGHTER TRIED TO BREAK UP A FIGHT AND WAS FLOGGING AGAINST A RADIATOR... SHE'S BEEN LAME EVER SINCE!

RILEY, I WANT FORD'S HOUSE WATCHED! PICK UP ANYBODY GOING IN OR OUT!

HOURS LATER, BROPHY'S HUNCH PAID OFF!

WE CAUGHT HIM GOING INTO FORD'S HOUSE, SIR... HIS NAME'S JONES—SAYS HE CAN'T REMEMBER WHAT HE DID LAST NIGHT!

WHAT GOES ON HERE? I AIN'T DONE NOTHING! LAY OFF ME!

WE JUST WANT TO HAVE A CHAT WITH YOU, JONES—TAKE HIM INTO MY OFFICE!

JONES, A FIRE BUG FRIES FOR HIS CRIMES! COME CLEAN NOW!

YOU DON'T EXPECT US TO BELIEVE YOU DON'T KNOW WHERE YOU WERE LAST NIGHT, DO YOU?

ALL RIGHT! I'LL TELL! I'LL TELL!

CRIME DOES NOT PAY



FORD MADE ME HELP HIM! HE WAS ALWAYS AFTER ME TO BUMP OFF HIS FATHER-IN-LAW—EVER SINCE KEIM SWINDLED FORD OUT OF \$9,000 IN A REAL ESTATE DEAL!



HE GAVE ME \$200 TO DRIVE HIM WHILE HE COLLECTED GASOLINE! THEN WE SPRINKLED IT ALL AROUND KEIM'S BOARDING HOUSE!

WHAT IF THE WHOLE HOUSE BURNS DOWN? NINETEEN PEOPLE LIVE HERE—WHAT ABOUT THEM?

THE DEVIL WITH THEM! AS LONG AS KEIM GETS WHAT'S COMING TO HIM!



ARREST JONES AS FORD'S ACCESSORY! I'LL PICK UP "FIRE BUG" FORD MYSELF!



THE DIRTY SKINK! STAND BACK, BROWN! HE MAY BE ARMED! IF HE MAKES A FALSE MOVE, SHOOT—BUT ONLY TO WOUND HIM!



SO YOU LOVED KEIM LIKE A FATHER, EH? THAT'S WHY YOU AND JONES TOOK HIS LIFE AND THE LIVES OF FIVE INNOCENT PEOPLE!

SO JONES SQUEALED—THE RAT! WHY, I'LL...



OH, NO, YOU WON'T, FORD! YOU'VE GOT A LITTLE DEBT TO PAY THE STATE ALTHOUGH IT'S MUCH TOO GOOD FOR YOU—TAKE HIM AWAY, BROWN!

RIGHT, BROPHY—THE D.A. WILL BE GLAD TO MEET HIM!

JONES RECEIVED A LONG PRISON TERM AND FORD WAS SENTENCED TO THE ELECTRIC CHAIR, BUT HANGED HIMSELF IN SING SING'S MURDERERS' ROW!



WHEN IT CAME TO FRYING HIMSELF, HE COULDN'T TAKE IT!

THAT'S OKAY! WHERE HE IS RIGHT NOW! THE FLAMES ARE HOTTER THAN ANY HE COULD EVER MAKE!

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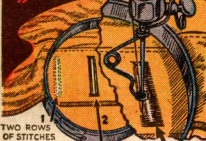
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Birds on the Wing Sword and Scabbard

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WHO DUNNIT?

MANAGER HANLON

OWNER YILER

MINTY SNIKE

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BUTCHER BOY BENSON

UMPIRE BILL BERKE

SKIPPER MORGAN

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HOW GOOD A DETECTIVE ARE YOU?

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PLEASE, MISTER, SPARE OLD SKIPPER THE PRICE OF A GAME!
ONE SIDE, BLUM! YOU'RE HOLDING UP THE PARADE!

THAT WAS SKIPPER MORGAN, BROCKTON'S HOME RUN KING—TILL A PITCH FRACTURED HIS SKULL TWO YEARS AGO! NOW HE'S JUST A HALF-CRAZY TRAMP!
THE DIRTY @#!%X-THEY SURE FORGET QUICK! I WAS THEIR HERO! THEY USED TO PACK THE STADIUM JUST TO SEE SKIPPER MORGAN!



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MEANWHILE, IN BROCKTON'S DUGOUT...



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USE YOUR BAT FOR HITTING HORSEHIDE, BUTCHER BOY!

OKAY, THE ROTTEN @!!!X ASKED FER IT— THEY BEEN RIDIN' ME LONG ENOUGH!

LAY OFF THE KID, BUTCHER BOY, HERE COMES HANLON!



ANOTHER EXHIBITION LIKE THIS, BENSON AND YOU'LL BE PLAYING IN THE MINORS!

OKAY, OKAY, SORRY I LOST MY HEAD!

BEFORE I'M THROUGH, I'LL EVEN THE SCORE MORE THAN ONCE!



YOU'RE NOT ONLY THE COUGARS BAT BOY, PAT...YOU'RE THEIR GUARDIAN ANGEL, TOO! NOW TAKE THIS NOTE UP TO MR. YILER, LIKE A GOOD FELLER!

SURE THING, MR. HANLON!



I DON'T SEE OLD SKINFINT AROUND! HE MUST BE IN A CLOSET COUNTING HIS PENNIES! I'LL JUST LEAVE THIS NOTE ON HIS DESK!



HELLO! INSURANCE POLICIES...TAKEN OUT BY MR. YILER— ON ALL HIS PLAYERS!



YILER WOULD COLLECT A FORTUNE IF ANYTHING HAPPENED TO HIS PLAYERS! AND HE LOVES DOUGH BETTER'N ANYTHING ELSE! IF I WANTED TO GET SUSPICIOUS...

HEY, YOU! WHAT ARE YOU DOING AT MY DESK!



I'LL TEACH YOU TO SPY ON ME!

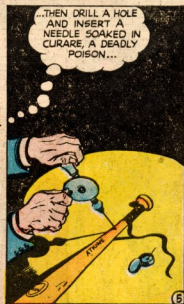
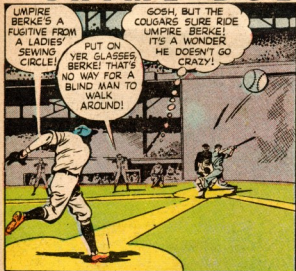
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BUT FINDING OUT ABOUT THOSE INSURANCE POLICIES WAS WORTH THIS BOOT!

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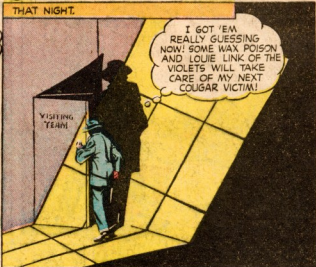
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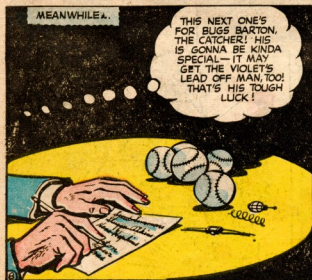
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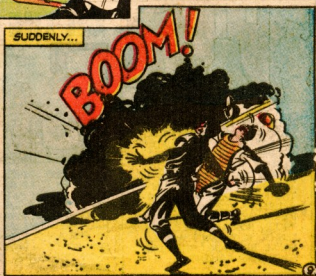
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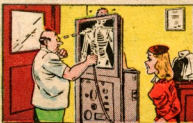
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DO YOU KNOW WHO DUNNIT? TURN THE PAGE UPSIDE DOWN AND SEE HOW GOOD A DETECTIVE YOU ARE!



ON THE LEVEL



FOR FOUR YEARS A CHICAGO MAN HAD BEEN COMPLAINING TO HIS WIFE ABOUT A PAIN IN HIS SHOULDER, DATING BACK TO A TUSSEL WITH TWO MASKED MEN. FINALLY, THE BETTER HALF PREVAILED UPON HER SPOUSE TO SEE A DOCTOR ABOUT IT. THE SAW-BONES X-RAYED THE SHOULDER, THEN DUG OUT A .32 CALIBER BULLET.



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The contact says he has a copy of Crime Does Not Pay no. 53. I'm gonna go get it. Will you wait for me baby?

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